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This Communication is submitted in response to the Final Office Action issued September 17, 2003 by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the September 17, 2003 Final Office Action is due December 17, 2003. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

**Claim Rejections-35 U.S.C. §102**

The Examiner stated that claims 1, 9-11, 20, 28-30, 39, and 47-49 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Ben-Haim et al. (US 6363279) The Examiner

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